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SUBJECT CREATION OF A NEW COUNTERSUBVERSIVE UNIT WITHIN FEDERAL
POLICE SECURITY

SUMMARY: A NEW UNIT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE
FEDERAL SECURITY SECTION OF THE FEDERAL POLICE FOR THE
PURPOSE OF MAKING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE FEDERAL POLICE
IN THE COUNTERSUBVERSIVE EFFORT MORE EFFECTIVE. PARTICULARLY

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AGAINST THE MONTONEROS. THE NEW UNIT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CARRYING OUT OPERATIONS, DETAINING AND INTERROGATING ALLEGED SUBVERSIVES, AND ACQUIRING AND COLLATING INTELLIGENCE. SOME MONTONERO PRISONERS WHO HAVE AGREED TO COLLABORATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT ARE ALREADY BEING USED BY THE UNIT TO INTERROGATE OTHER SUBVERSIVE PRISONERS. THE UNIT HAS BEEN ORGANIZED BY AN OFFICER OF THE ARMY 601ST INTELLIGENCE BATTALION BUT IS STAFFED BY POLICE PERSONNEL. FOR SECURITY REASONS THE UNIT IS NOT LISTED IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE FEDERAL POLICE, AND THE PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE UNIT APPEAR ON THE ROLLS AS WORKING IN SOME OTHER POLICE SECTION.

END SUMMARY.

1. A NEW UNIT HAS RECENTLY BEEN ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE FEDERAL SECURITY (INTELLIGENCE) SECTION OF THE FEDERAL POLICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE FEDERAL POLICE IN THE COUNTERSUBVERSIVE EFFORT MORE EFFECTIVE, PARTICULARLY AGAINST THE MONTONEROS. THE UNIT IS TO BOTH CARRY OUT OPERATIONS AS WELL AS OBTAIN AND COLLATE INTELLIGENCE. THE UNIT OPERATES OUT OF TWO LOCATIONS, ONE OF WHICH IS A BUILDING WHICH HAS BEEN MODIFIED FOR USE AS A

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DETENTION AND INTERROGATION CENTER. ALTHOUGH ADAPTATIONS TO THE BUILDING WERE NOT TO BE COMPLETED UNTIL MID-APRIL 1977, SOME MONTONERO PRISONERS HAVE BEEN CONFINED THERE SINCE LATE MARCH 1977. THESE ARE PRISONERS WHO DECIDED TO COLLABORATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT AND ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE INTERROGATION OF OTHER SUBVERSIVE PRISONERS. THE BUILDING, LOCATED AT COCHABAMBA STREET AND PASEO COLON, HAS SPECIAL ROOMS FOR INTERROGATION AND CELLS BOTH TO ALLOW FOR LONG PERIODS OF DETENTION AND TRANSIT CONFINEMENT. THE BUILDING HAS ALSO BEEN EQUIPPED WITH SLEEPING AND EATING FACILITIES FOR THE PERSONNEL.

2. ORGANIZATIONALLY, THE NEW UNIT IS BROKEN DOWN INTO SIX GROUPS AS FOLLOWS:

A. A GROUP FOR OPERATIONAL INTELLIGENCE. THIS GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INTERROGATING PRISONERS, IDENTIFYING SUBVERSIVES AND ESTABLISHING FUTURE TARGETS.

B. A GROUP IN CHARGE OF RESPONDING TO CURRENT INTELLIGENCE, THIS INVOLVES SITUATIONS IN WHICH IT IS DETERMINED THAT TIMELINESS OF ACTION IS A CRITICAL FACTOR IF THE INFORMATION ACQUIRED IS TO BE OF VALUE.

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C. A GROUP WHICH OPERATES AGAINST TARGETS
ON A LONGER RANGE BASIS: FOR EXAMPLE, MAINTAINING SURVEILLANCE
OF AN ALLEGED SUBVERSIVE OR ON A SUBVERSIVE'S HOME TO
ACQUIRE ADDITIONAL DATA, SUCH AS THE IDENTITY OF A SUBVERSIVE'S
CONTACTS.

D. A GROUP WHICH ACQUIRES GENERAL INFORMATION,
SUCH AS DETERMINING THE ADDRESSES OF SUBVERSIVES. THE GROUP
IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING DATA THROUGH TELEPHONE
TAPS. THIS GROUP IS TO WORK IN THE "CONISARIA 46" IN FRONT
OF THE "CONDOR" AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.

E. A GROUP RESPONSIBLE FOR STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE.
THIS GROUP IS TO ANALYZE AND INTERPRET INFORMATION. FOR
EXAMPLE, IF THREE PRISONERS IN DIFFERENT INTERROGATIONS REFER
TO A PERSON IN A SIMILAR CONTEXT, THE GROUP WILL ATTEMPT TO
ASCERTAIN WHETHER ONE PERSON OR DIFFERENT PERSONS ARE BEING
REFERRED TO. THIS GROUP HAS TIES WITH THE NATIONAL
INTELLIGENCE CENTER, THE DIRECTORATE OF FEDERAL POLICE
SECURITY, THE ARMY FIRST CORPS AND THE NAVY MECHANICAL
SCHOOL. A NAVAL ELEMENT INVOLVED IN THE ANTISUBVERSIVE EFFORT.

F. A GROUP IN CHARGE OF THE SECURITY OF BOTH

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PRISONERS AND THE BUILDINGS OF THE UNIT.

5. THE NEW UNIT IS TO OPERATE IN THE FEDERAL CAPITAL AND THE GREATER BUENOS AIRES AREA. IF THERE IS A SITUATION CALLING FOR IT TO OPERATE BEYOND THE GREATER BUENOS AIRES AREA INTO BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, IT MUST ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED PROCEDURE OF REQUESTING PERMISSION FROM THE ARMY FIRST CORPS.

6. THE UNIT HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN A FORMAL NAME AND IS NOT LISTED IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE FEDERAL POLICE. THE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN IN CHARGE OF ORGANIZING THE UNIT IS LT. COLONEL C A B R E R A (FNU) OF THE ARMY 501ST INTELLIGENCE BATTALION, WHO HAS BEEN ACTING FOR SOME TIME AS AN ADVISOR TO THE CHIEF OF THE FEDERAL POLICE. THE PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE UNIT, HOWEVER, ARE ALL FROM THE FEDERAL POLICE, BUT FOR SECURITY REASONS THEY APPEAR ON THE ROLLS AS WORKING IN SOME KNOWN POLICE SECTION. THE CHIEF OF THE UNIT IS FEDERAL POLICE COMMISSIONER OSCAR JOSE G O N Z A L E Z. SECOND-ECHELON LEADERS INCLUDE SUB-COMMISSIONER R E N A F E (FNU), WHO IS IN CHARGE OF PRISONERS, KNOWING WHO THEY ARE AND FACTS ABOUT THEIR CASES.

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SUB-COMMISSIONER S U T I L (FNU) AND SUB-COMMISSIONER
ALFREDO A R A M I S B E A U, BOTH OF WHOM ARE IN CHARGE
OF INTELLIGENCE ASPECTS AND DECIDING ON NEW TARGETS.

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7. [REDACTED] COMMENT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE BATTALION CONTACTS. THE CREATION OF
THE NEW UNIT HAS BEEN PROMPTED LARGELY AS A RESULT OF THE
SUBVERSIVE PENETRATIONS, PARTICULARLY OF THE MONTONEROS,
WHICH ARE CONTINUALLY BEING DISCOVERED WITHIN FEDERAL SECURITY,
THE LATEST INCIDENT BEING THE DISCOVERY OF THREE MONTONERO
PENETRATIONS AMONG FEDERAL SECURITY INTELLIGENCE AGENTS
ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO. THIS IS A SITUATION WHICH CALLS INTO
QUESTION THE ENTIRE PROCEDURE OF SELECTION, INVESTIGATION,
HIRING, TRAINING, ETC. OF AGENTS. THE NEW UNIT PURPORTEDLY
WILL IN EFFECT ALLOW FEDERAL SECURITY'S OPERATIONS AGAINST
THE MONTONEROS TO BE SEPARATE FROM THE REST OF FEDERAL
SECURITY ACTIVITY, THEREBY MAKING THESE OPERATIONS MORE
SECURE AND EFFECTIVE.)

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